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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1 **COMMISSIONERS** 2006 NOV 15 P 3: 52 3 JEFF HATCH-MILLER, Chairman WILLIAM A. MUNDELL AZ CORP COMMISSION MIKE GLEASON DOCUMENT CONTROL KRISTIN K. MAYES 5 **BARRY WONG** IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DOCKET NO. E-01345A-05-0816 ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR A HEARING TO DETERMINE THE FAIR VALUE OF THE UTILITY PROPERTY OF THE COMPANY FOR RATEMAKING PURPOSES, TO FIX A JUST AND REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN THEREON, TO APPROVE RATE SCHEDULES DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH RETURN, AND TO AMEND DECISION NO. 67744. 11 DOCKET NO. E-01345A-05-0826 IN THE MATTER OF THE INQUIRY INTO THE FREQUENCY OF UNPLANNED OUTAGES 12 **DURING 2005 AT PALO VERDE NUCLEAR** 13 GENERATING STATION, THE CAUSES OF THE OUTAGES, THE PROCUREMENT OF 14 REPLACEMENT POWER AND THE IMPACT OF THE OUTAGES ON ARIZONA PUBLIC 15 SERVICE COMPANY'S CUSTOMERS. DOCKET NO. E-01345A-05-0827 16 IN THE MATTER OF THE AUDIT OF THE FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER PRACTICES AND 17 COSTS OF THE ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY. 18 STAFF'S NOTICE OF FILING 19 Staff of the Arizona Corporation Commission hereby provides notice of filing the Testimony 20 Summary of Matthew J. Rowell in the above-referenced matter. 21 22 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006. 23 24 Arizona Corporation Commission Christopher C. Kempley, Chief Counsel 25 Janet Wagner, Senior Staff Counsel DOCKETED Charles Hains, Attorney 26 Arizona Corporation Commission NOV 1 5 2006 1200 West Washington Street 27 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 DOCKETED BY (602) 542-3402 28 NR

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## SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY STAFF WITNESS Matthew Rowell

### ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY DOCKET NO. E-01345A-05-0816

#### Direct Testimony:

Staff is recommending that the Commission not adopt APS' proposed Environmental Improvement Charge for the following reasons:

- The EIC would collect revenues from ratepayers based predominantly upon estimated rather than incurred costs.
- The EIC appears to be unique.
- The EIC would include costs that will not be incurred for several years beyond the Test Year.
- The EIC would include funding for projects before they are mandated to be installed on APS' system.
- Regulatory mandates typically build in construction lead times to provide industry sufficient time to comply with mandated regulatory requirements.
- The EIC is derived based upon multiple year revenue requirements that increase the complexity of auditing the charge in the context of future general rate cases and annual EIC reset proceedings.
- The effect of the EIC on APS' interest expense is unclear.
- The annual reset of the EIC could be implemented without Commission approval under APS' proposal.
- The EIC does not address the fundamental financial challenges that APS has identified.
- The environmental impact of implementing the EIC is unclear.

#### Surrebuttal Testimony:

Staff's surrebuttal testimony on the EIC provides minor clarifications of Staff's position in response to the rebuttal testimonies of APS witnesses Mr. Fox and Mr. DeLizio.